

Art Simpson, District Governor of Rotary, Pays Visit To Nome Club

To Nome Rotary Club was host today to Art Simpson, governor of the 504th District of Rotary International.

Mr. Simpson is making his annual official visit to each of the 38 Rotary Clubs in Alaska, British Columbia, and northwest Washington.

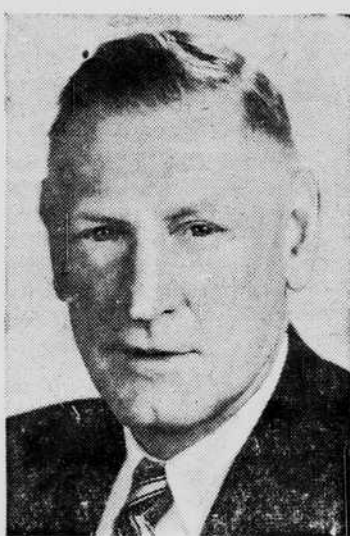
Mr. Simpson is manager of A. Simpson & Co. in Vancouver, B.C., and is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Marpole, B.C. He was elected as a district governor of Rotary International for 1957-58 at Rotary's 48th annual convention in Lucerne, Switzerland last May. He is one of 249 district governors supervising the activities of more than 9,500 Rotary Clubs which have a membership of over 446,000 business and professional executives in 102 countries throughout the free world.

Mr. Simpson met last evening at the home of Willard Mecklenburg with the chairmen of the Rotary service committees and discussed club programs with them.

Today at noon luncheon he was guest of honor and spoke of the four epochs of Rotary since its inception in Chicago in 1905.

The Nome Club presented Mr. Simpson with an ivory paperweight as a memento of his visit to Nome.

Other guests at the luncheon were: P. D. Koon, Rotarian of Seattle, Forrest Baker, of Alaska Airlines, Anchorage, and Mrs. Connie Farrar, of Portsmouth, Va. Mrs. Farrar is the mother of Ashby Craft of the local Weather Bureau station.



Arthur Simpson

Two U.S. Airmen Killed When Scorpion Jet Crashes in Alberta

EDMONTON, Alberta, (P)—Two U.S. Air Force men were killed last night when their F-85 Scorpion jet fighter crashed and burned in a farmer's field as it was about to come in for a landing at the RCAF station Namao near here.

The twin-engined jet was returning to the U.S. from exercises in Alaska and was to make a scheduled stop at Namao.

The 20-ton jet plowed into a field several hundred yards from a farm home. Debris was scattered over a wide area.

Namao is a regular stopover point for planes flying between the U.S. and Alaska.

City Council Hears Calvin Pool on Delinquent Youth

Calvin Pool, director of the Board of Juvenile Institutions for the territory, met with the Nome City Council Monday evening and announced the appointment of Rev. W. Mecklenburg as probation officer on a part-time basis for the department.

He discussed with the city their share of the responsibility with delinquent children as well as the facilities desired.

To date, stated Pool, 10 children, seven of them girls, have been turned over to his department from the Territorial Welfare and placed in institutions in Alaska and stateside. Ten have also been turned over in Fairbanks and 50 in Anchorage.

Other business conducted at the City Council meeting included:

Property Sold

Lot 26 in Block 12 was sold to Jack Blattler and Lot 30 and the east 10½ feet of Lot 31 in Block 67 were offered to Richard Lee for assessed valuation.

Swimming Pool

An agreement was signed with C.A.A. for the use of their dragline for digging a municipal pool providing the Scout committee gets permission from the U.S. Smelting to dig the pool on the company's ground.

Councilman Hungerford Resigns

The resignation of Don Hungerford was accepted. Hungerford, who was elected to the council in April, gave the reason for his resignation as due to business pressure.

Floods Drive Many Topekans From Homes

TOPEKA, Kan., (P)—Flash floods hit the Topeka area early today, driving scores of persons from their homes, including Mrs. Georgia Neese Clark Gray, former treasurer of the United States, and her husband.

The flood came just two days before the anniversary of the one which caused a billion dollars damage in Kansas and Missouri in 1951.

Hardest hit, apparently, was Richland, Kan., 18 miles south of Topeka, home town of the Grays, in the wake of rains which are estimated to have ranged to over seven inches in some places.

In Topeka dozens of homes were flooded and police called for all available boats to help in the rescue operations.

The National Guard and Civil Defense personnel joined police in helping many families to evacuate their homes.

At Abilene, 80 miles west of Topeka in the Kansas River valley, a freak cloudburst dumped an estimated 10 inches of rain on a single farm and sent a wall of water rushing across U.S. highway 40 so suddenly it swept five passing cars into a ditch.

None of the occupants were injured.

America's First Supersonic Bomber Represents 'Most Significant Step' In History of Military Aviation

FORT WORTH, Texas, (P)—The Air Force today proudly displayed its first supersonic bomber—"it's even better than we expected," a general said—and announced a plan to buy more for testing purposes.

Lt. Gen. C. S. Irvine, head of Air Force weapons procurement, said at the official unveiling of the B-58 Hustler that the Convair atomic superbomber as of now is the fastest in the world—"and we plan to buy an additional test quantity."

13 More Ordered

Irvine told newsmen the Air Force already has ordered 13 B-58s for testing and is so pleased with the first ones that it is talking about buying 17 or 18 more.

The plane is being built here by Convair division of General Dynamics Corp. Gen. Irvine said the Air Force has found it good practice to acquire up to 30 test planes of a promising new type before deciding whether to go on with a production order.

"We must decide within the next six months how many test planes we want," he added. "If funds are available and we go into regular production, we should have B-58s in wings by 1960."

Twice Speed of Sound

Irvine said the price of the B-58 would be close to that of the much larger and slower Boeing B-52 heavy jet bomber.

Asked about the speed of the B-58, he could report only that it was highly supersonic. But later he said it was designed to approach twice the speed of sound "and we are already at the point where we can make it go faster than it was designed to go."

He added: "The Hustler represents one of the most significant forward steps in the history of military aviation—and thru it we are made aware of some mighty possibilities."

Wright Brothers

Frank W. Davis, chief engineer at Fort Worth for Convair, put it this way:

"The magnitude of advance in the B-58 is best emphasized by the fact that it provides a greater

BPR HEADS ARE INSPECTING ROADS IN THIS AREA

The first routine inspection of roads in this area by officials of the Bureau of Public Roads, which took over the work of the Alaska Road Commission last year, is now underway.

M. B. Christenson, from the maintenance and construction department of the BPR of Washington, D.C., headquarters, accompanied by B. H. Swick, regional engineer from Juneau and his assistant, Bill Niemi, are conferring with District Engineer Frank Morris and looking over the work on Highway 97 and other projects in this area.

increment in top speed advantage over the latest operational bomber than that bomber provided over the Wright brothers' airplane."

Since the newest operational jet bomber, the eight-engine Boeing B-52, flies a good 600 miles an hour faster than the Wright airplane of half a century ago, Davis' remark would indicate that the B-58 hurtles along at more than 1,200 miles an hour—close to twice the speed of sound.

At that speed only about three U.S. fighters could keep up with the B-58—the Lockheed F-104, McDonnell F-101, and Chance Vought F-8U.

Round-the-World Fuel

Development of a chemical fuel which could propel the B-58 around the world without refueling also was revealed yesterday.

The Olin Mathieson Chemical Co. announced in Niagara Falls, N.Y., that the fuel, known as HEF-2, would increase the range of jet engines by 40 percent.

Perhaps the most unusual feature of the B-58, in outward appearance, is the long, slim, disposable "pod"—a tank streamlined to a point at each end—suspended underneath the airplane.

Pod's Possibilities

An official said the pod could be a devastating bomb, a battery of cameras, or electronic countermeasures equipment (devices to nullify enemy detection radar).

The B-58 carries a crew of only three men—pilot, navigator-bombardier, and defensive systems operator.

It is only 95 feet long, has a 55-foot span of its triangular wings, and its sharply swept tail fin stands some 31 feet off the ground.

Irvine aid development of a heat resistant and fatigue resistant skin or outer covering for the B-58 wing and fuselage was "one of the most vital achievements in recent years" in aircraft manufacture.

Rain Brings Brief Respite From Blistering Heat Wave in Italy

ROME, (P)—Cool winds, clouds and showers today took the sting out of a blistering nine-day European heat wave that has killed at least 380 persons—most of them in sun-baked Italy.

Rain, skimming down from the Alps, clipped Milan's sweltering 94 degree temperature to 73 in three hours. But the weatherman said it would be a brief respite.

As the showers passed over, temperatures quickly began to rise again.

The recorded Italian deaths from heat—many of them old people ailing in rest homes in Venice, Milan and Padua—stood at 181. But this was believed to be only part of the total. Many cities and towns do not report heat deaths.

Board of Juvenile Institutions Will Have Representative in Nome to Handle Problems Involving Youth

By RUTH McLEAN

Calvin Pool, head of the Board of Juvenile Institutions in Alaska, was a guest at the regular weekly meeting of the Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce Monday.

Introduced by John McNeese, Mr. Pool talked to the members briefly and said he was in Nome to arrange for a part-time employee of his Board to handle problems which arise with the young people in the community.

There will be an officer of the Board in Fairbanks who can come to Nome in an emergency, Mr. Pool said; otherwise, routine cases will be handled by the local representative.

Correctional School Needed

At this time, Mr. Pool stated, there is a detention home in Ketchikan and one planned for Anchorage. The Board of Juvenile Institutions wants a correctional school in the territory, but a bill in favor of such a school failed to pass the House in the last legislature, according to Mr.

Pool.

He continued:

"It is only through the courtesy of Outside institutions that we can place youngsters there. The Territory of Alaska is the only territory or state which does not have its own correctional institution."

Need for Foster Homes

Speaking of the juveniles who are having a difficult time becoming acceptable citizens, Mr. Pool stressed the fact they need encouragement and that they must be accepted with tolerance, altho some of them may slip more than once.

Chamber President Jim Walsh asked what the Chamber members could do to help with the juvenile program. Mr. Pool said there will be a need for foster homes which the Chamber members can help find. Foster homes will be needed for young people in the community and also for young people who want to come to Nome from villages to attend high school.